

Public Notice of Application for Permit

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Public Notice Date: July 11, 2005 Expiration Date: August 11, 2005

Reference: 200500371

Name: US Navy (Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor)

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit in accordance with Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for certain work described below and shown on the enclosed drawings.

APPLICANT: United States Navy

1013 Silversides Road

Silverdale, Washington 98315 ATTN: Mr. William Kalina Telephone: (360) 396-5353

LOCATION:

The Delta Pier at Naval Base Kitsap at Bangor; Hood Canal off Puget Sound, at Silverdale, Kitsap

County, Washington

WORK: Clamshell dredge up to 3,000 cubic yards with barge overflow to deepen the southern berthing area from -40 to -48 feet below the Mean Lower Low Water line and beneficially reuse the dredged material in the uplands at Carlson Spit. No over-dredge is proposed. Dredging would occur as a single event over a period of three weeks.

PURPOSE: Expand the berthing capabilities for larger submarines.

MITIGATION: No mitigation is proposed.

ENDANGERED SPECIES AND ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:

The Endangered Species Act (ESA) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) pursuant to Section 7 of ESA on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or any designated critical habitat. The Hood Canal Summer-Run chum (*Oncorhynchus keta*), Puget Sound Chinook (*O. tshawytscha*), Puget Sound bull trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*), Steller sea lion (*Ementopias jubatus*), Bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), Marbled murrelet (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*) threatened; in addition to the Humpback Whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) and Leatherback Sea Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), which are endangered, are all listed species in the state of Washington that occur in the proposed project area. Coho (*O. kisutch*), is proposed for listing and may occur in the project area. For Puget Sound Chinook and Summer Run Chum, critical habitat has been proposed.

The U.S. Navy, as the lead agency for ESA consultation, has consulted with the USFWS and NMFS as required under Section 7 of the ESA. They have determined that the project "may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect" listed species. Concurrence by USFWS and NMFS was issued on April 6 and May 31, 2005, respectively.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996, requires all Federal agencies to consult with the NMFS on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The proposed action would impact up to .75 acres of EFH for Pacific salmon, Groundfish, and Coastal Pelagic Species in the project area. The U.S. Navy, as the lead agency for a determination regarding EFH, has consulted with the NMFS and has determined that the project would not adversely affect EFH species. Concurrence was issued on May 31, 2005.

<u>CULTURAL RESOURCES</u>: The U.S. Navy, as the lead agency for determining compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, will consult with the State Historic Preservation Office as appropriate. This public notice initiates consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800.4[a][3]), with any Tribe that has information or concerns with historic properties in the proposed permit area.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

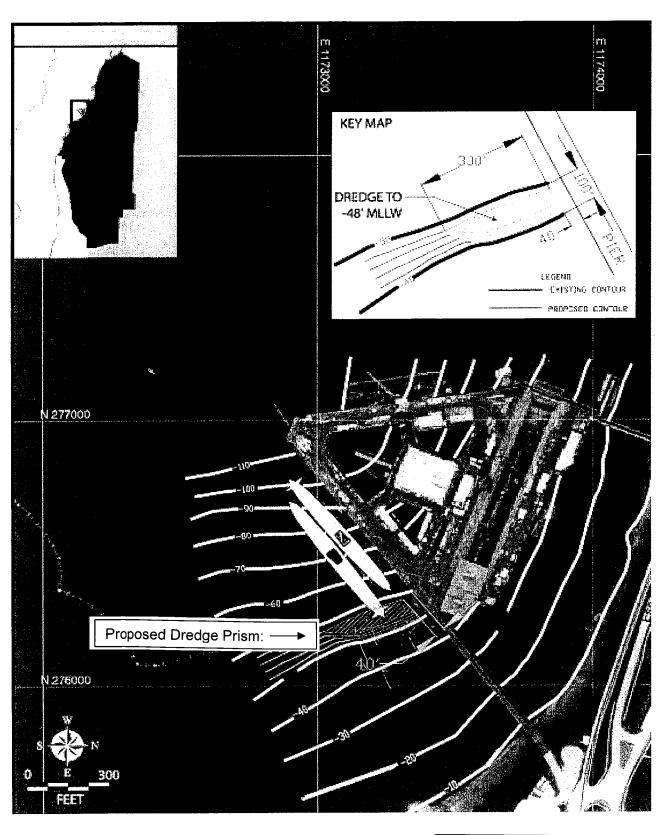
<u>EVALUATION</u>: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Native American Nations or tribal governments; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for the work. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

COMMENT AND REVIEW PERIOD: Conventional mail or e-mail comments on this public notice will be accepted and made part of the record and will be considered in determining whether it would be in the public interest to authorize this proposal. In order to be accepted, e-mail comments must originate from the author's e-mail account and must include on the subject line of the e-mail message the permit applicant's name and reference number as shown below. All e-mail comments should be sent to Zarife.K.Cronin@usace.army.mil. Conventional mail comments should be sent U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch, Post Office Box 3755, Seattle, Washington, 98124-3755. Both conventional mail or e-mail comments must include the permit applicant's name and reference number, as shown below, and the commentor's name, address, and phone number. All comments whether conventional mail or e-mail must reach this office, no later than the expiration date of this public notice to ensure consideration. Please include the following name and reference number:

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Encl Drawings (4)



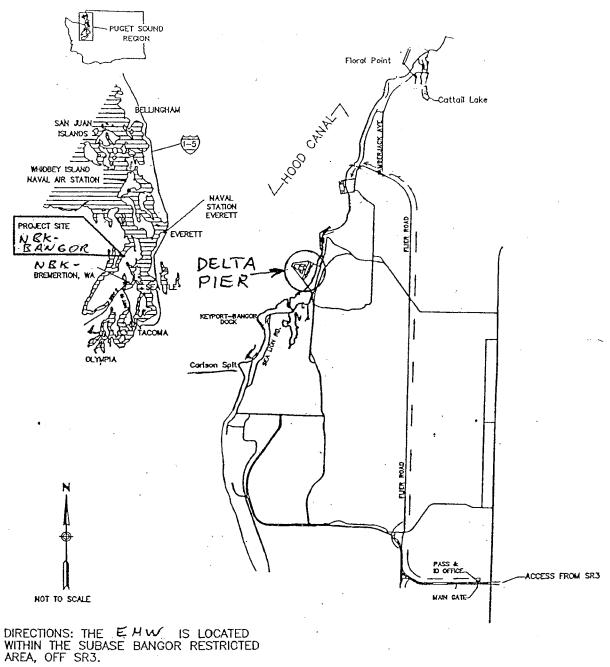
Naval Base Kitsap at Bangor Delta Pier South **Dredge Prism**

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STAGGERED SUB MOORAGE

DATUM: NAD 88

LOCATION:

T26N R1 E S18 WM LAT: 47 44' 31" LONG: 122 43' 53"

VICINITY MAP

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BANGOR

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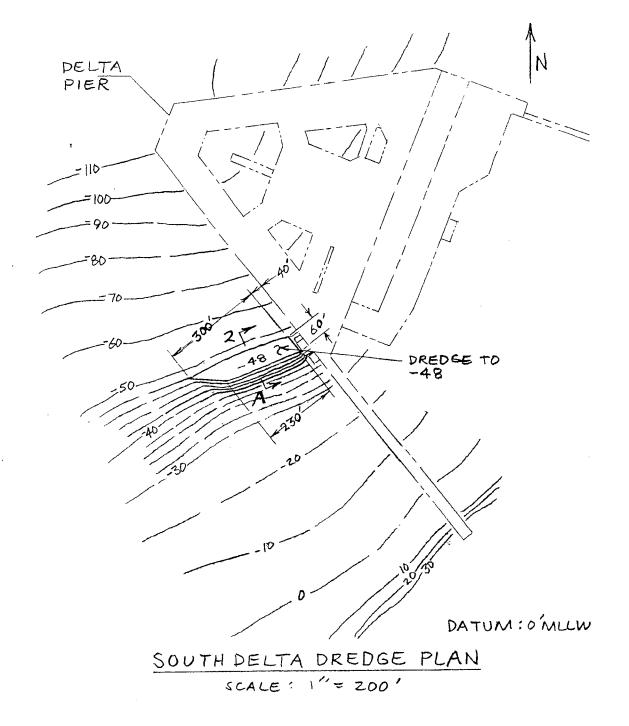
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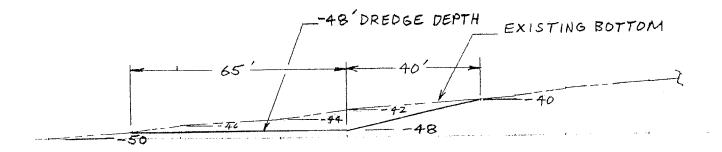
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SECTION 2-A

TYPICAL DREDGE CROSS SECTION SCALE: 1 = 20'

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101

Reply to

Attn of:

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Notice of Request for Water Quality Certification

Notice is hereby given that a request has been filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to certify, pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act of 1977, PL 95-217, that there is reasonable assurance the project described in the Corps of Engineers Public Notice No. 2005003 7/ will not violate applicable water quality standards. Comments regarding possible water quality effects of the proposed project should be sent within 30 days to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, ECO-083, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101.

Michelle Pirzadeh, Acting Director

Office of Ecosystems and Communities